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1. REGRET TO INFORM YOU OF DIFFICULTIES IN OBTAINING CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL OF ICCS FIRST QUARTER FUNDS (DOLS 4.080 MILLION). WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED THAT EARLIEST POSSIBLE DECISION WOULD BE LATE TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, WASHINGTON TIME. MANDATORY NOTIFICATION LETTERS TO CONGRESS WERE DELIVERED BY COB TUESDAY, AUGUST 27. FIVE DAY NOTIFICATION PERIOD TECHNICALLY ENDS SEPTEMBER 1 RPT SEPTEMBER 1. HOWEVER, CONGRESS PRESENTLY NOT IN SESSION AND SENATOR INOUE, WHO IS KEY FIGURE IN THE DECISION, PRESENTLY IN HAWAII. ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE HIM BY PHONE AS OF MORNING AUGUST 30 UNSUCCESSFUL. THEREFORE, OGLIGATION MUST BE HELD UP BEYOND SEPTEMBER 1 AND POSSIBLY
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EVEN BEYOND SEPTEMBER 3. AID AND STATE DOING ALL POSSIBLE

TO EXPEDITE. BEST ESTIMATE AT THIS TIME IS THAT YOU
SHOULD RECEIVE ALLOTMENT SEPTEMBER 4. REALIZE POLE
CHAIRMANSHIP WILL MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT TO KEEP PAYMENTS
RESTRICTED TO ESSENTIAL SERVICES, BUT IT IS IMPERATIVE
THAT WE DO SO SINCE THIS IS BASIS ON WHICH FUNDS WERE
REQUEST FROM CONGRESS.

2. NECESSARY DOCUMENTS HAVE BEEN PREPARED SO
AUTHORIZING CABLE CAN BE SENT EMBASSY IF AND WHEN
INOUE APPROVAL RECEIVED. KISSINGER

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